

In the Specification

Please replace paragraph [0001] with the following amended paragraph:

[0001] This application is a Continuation of U. S. ~~pending application 09/611,161, filed on July 6, 2000, in which the Issue Fee was paid on December 8, 2003~~ Patent No. 6,694,356, issued on February 17, 2004, entitled "REMOTE CONTROL HAVING AN OPTICAL INDICIA READER", which is a Continuation-in-Part of ~~pending U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/580,848 (Atty. Dkt. No. PHL Y 25,087)~~ U.S. Patent No. 6,860,424, issued March 1, 2005, entitled "OPTICAL READER AND USE" filed on May 30, 2000, which is a Continuation-in-Part of ~~allowed U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/378,221 (Atty. Dkt. No. PHL Y 24,669), in which the Issue Fee was paid on January 12, 2004~~ U.S. Patent No. 6,745,234, issued on June 1, 2004, entitled "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR ACCESSING A REMOTE LOCATION BY SCANNING AN OPTICAL CODE" filed on August 19, 1999, which is a Continuation-in-Part of ~~[[pending]] Abandoned U.S. Patent Application[[s]]: Serial No. 09/151,471 (Atty. Dkt. No. PHL Y 24,397)~~ entitled "METHOD FOR INTERFACING SCANNED PRODUCT INFORMATION WITH A SOURCE FOR THE PRODUCT OVER A GLOBAL NETWORK," filed on September 11, 1998, which a Continuation-in-Part of U. S. Patent No. 6,098,106, issued on August 1, 2000, ~~Serial No. 09/151,530 (Atty. Dkt. No. PHL Y 24,398)~~ entitled "METHOD FOR CONTROLLING A COMPUTER WITH AN AUDIO SIGNAL[[,]]" ~~filed on September 11, 1998.~~

Please replace paragraph [0070] with the following amended paragraph:

[0070] Referring now to FIGURE 8, after receipt of a trigger signal, a web browser application on a source PC 302 is automatically launched and computer display 800 presents a browser page 802. Proprietary software running on the source PC 302 processes the audio signal data after being digitized through the sound card 206. The software appropriately prepares the data for insertion directly into the web browser by extracting the product information code and appending keystroke data to this information. First, a URL page 804 is opened in response to a Ctrl-O command added by the proprietary software as the first character string. Opening URL page 804 automatically positions the cursor in a field 806 where additional keystroke data following the Ctrl-O command will be inserted. After URL page 804 is opened, the hypertext protocol

preamble http:// is inserted into the field 806. Next, URL information associated with the location of the ARS 308 is inserted into field 806. Following the ARS 308 URL data are the characters /? to allow entry of variables immediately following the /? characters. In this embodiment, the variable following is the product information code received in the audio signal. The product code information also provides the cross-reference information for obtaining the advertiser URL from the ARS database 310. Next, a carriage return is added to send the URL/product data and close the window 804. After the message packet 400 is transmitted to the ARS 308 from the source PC 302, transactions from the ~~[[ARS308]]~~ ARS 308, to the source PC 302, to the advertiser server 312, and back to the source PC 302, occur quickly and are transparent to the viewer. At this point, the next information the viewer sees is the product information which was received from the advertiser server 312.

Please replace paragraph [0140] with the following amended paragraph:

[0140] Referring now to FIGURE 37, there is illustrated an embodiment of a remote control unit having an apparatus for reading optical indicia. In general, the remote control 3700 is any remote control unit, whether for a TV, stereo system, CD player, etc., which incorporates an optical ~~[[indica]]~~ indicia reader operable to scan one or more MRCs 1606, and store corresponding MRC data in an onboard memory. In the disclosed embodiment, this remote control is interfaced with the PC 302 or a Web TV 3710 connected to GCN 306 with an interface 3712. The user is then free to download the MRC data to the computer 302 or Web TV 3710 at a later time, or to have the information corresponding to the MRC data retrieved substantially immediately at the time the user is scanning the related MRC 1606. These features are described in greater detail hereinbelow. The remote control 3700 is illustrated as wireless in that any data downloaded from the remote control 3700 is transmitted to the computer via a wireless link. The wireless communication link can be a radio frequency (RF) link, an infrared link (typical), or other conventional communication protocols. The computer 302 or Web TV 3710 would then have the corresponding communication architecture to facilitate reception of the signals transmitted from the remote control 3700. The stored MRC data can be downloaded one at a time at the discretion of the user so that the user can view each corresponding web information at his or her own speed, the MRC data can be loaded substantially immediately after the MRC has been scanned (in an automatic mode) with the user pressing the transmit button, or all of the

stored MRC data can be downloaded as a batch in response to the user, for example, holding a transmit button 3703 down beyond a specified amount of time (e.g., three seconds) to initiate the batch mode download. The user can then review all of the downloaded MRC data at a later time.

Please replace paragraph [0144] with the following amended paragraph:

[0144] The advertiser database 3706 contains a variety of product information corresponding to the particular network URL address contained in the ARS database 310. Similarly, if the user scans a second MRC (not shown) which is different from the first MRC 1606, that second MRC may be associated with a second advertiser such that the information returned from the ARS database 310 points to a second advertiser server (not illustrated) disposed on the GCN 306 causing the second advertiser server to return the corresponding information for display to the user on display 1612 or Web TV 3710. As mentioned hereinabove, the remote control 3700 contains a memory allowing the user to store one or more ~~[[MRCs 1606]]~~ MRCs 1606 up to the limits of the memory. Any PC 302 or Web TV 3710 associated with the disclosed architecture and the scanning remote control 3700 can then transmit the stored information of the remote control 3700 to retrieve the corresponding web page information. The keyboard 1610 is connected to the PC 302 to allow manual entry of any MRC information at the discretion of the user.